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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT) DOCKET NO. E-04230A-04-0798
OF MOHAVE ELECTRIC)
COOPERATIVE, INC. AGAINST) MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
UNISOURCE ENERGY CORPORATION) FILE FIRST AMENDED
AND UNS ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE) COMPLAINT
POTENTIAL INTERFERENCE WITH)
THE CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE)
AND NECESSITY)

Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code, Rule R14-3-101 and Rule 15(a), Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc., ("Mohave"), through undersigned counsel, hereby moves for Leave to File its First Amended Complaint to add UNS Electric, Inc. as a respondent.

Under to Rule 15 (a), leave to amend should be freely given when justice requires. In the instant matter, UNS Electric, Inc. has filed a pleading stating it is the proper party. Amendments of the Complaint is necessary to: 1) add UNS Electric, Inc. to the caption and in the body of the Complaint and 2) to reflect the substitution of Curtis, Goodwin, Sullivan, Udall & Schwab, P.L.C. for Martinez & Curtis, P.C., together with new contact information for Mr. Curtis and Mr. Sullivan. A copy of the proposed First Amended Complaint without exhibits, is attached as Attachment 1.

1 WHEREFORE, Mohave respectfully moves that it be granted leave to file its 2 First Amended Complaint. 3 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 3rd day of January, 2005. 4 CURTIS, GOODWIN, SULLIVAN, UDALL & 5 SCHWAB, P.L.C. 6 7 8 Michael A. Curtis William P. Sullivan 9 2712 North Seventh Street 10 Phoenix, Arizona 85006-1090 Attorneys for Mohave Electric Cooperative, 11 Inc. 12 Original and thirteen (13) copies of the foregoing filed this 200 day of January, 2005 with: 13 14 **Docket Control Division** ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 15 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 16 17 Copies of the foregoing hand-delivered and/or mailed this 32d day of January, 2005 to: 18 Lyn A. Farmer, Esq. 19 Chief Administrative Law Judge, Hearing Division ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 20 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 21 Christopher Kempley, Esq. 22 Chief Counsel, Legal Division ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 23 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 24

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5 **COMMISSIONERS** MARC SPITZER, CHAIRMAN 6 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL JEFF HATCH-MILLER 7 MIKE GLEASON 8 KRISTIN K. MAYES 9 IN THE MATTER OF THE DOCKET NO. E-04230A-04-0798 10 COMPLAINT OF MOHAVE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. 11 AGAINST UNISOURCE ENERGY **CORPORATION AND UNS** PROPOSED FIRST 12 ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE AMENDED COMPLAINT 13 POTENTIAL INTERFERENCE WITH THE CERRTIFICATE OF 14 CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY 15

Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc., an Arizona not for profit rural electric cooperative ("Mohave"), by and through its Counsel undersigned, hereby files its complaint against UniSource Energy Corporation and its subsidiary, UNS Electric, Inc. (collectively referred to as "UniSource") pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 40-202, 40-203, 40-246, 40-249, 40-281, 40-322, 40-331, 40-332, 40-421 and A.A.C. R14-3-101et seq. and in support thereof alleges as follows:

1. Mohave is an Arizona rural electric cooperative certificated by the Arizona Corporation Commission (the "Commission") to provide electric services in

Attachment 1

sections of Mohave County, portions of Yavapai County, and portions of Coconino County.

- 2. In furtherance of the public interest and in performance of its obligations as a Public Service Corporation, Mohave has constructed and is constructing electric distribution lines, plant systems and metering facilities, and is ready, willing and able to serve customers in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission in the areas within its certificated area.
- 3. By Decision No. 58798, dated October 14, 1994, the Commission transferred a portion of Citizens Utilities Company's ("Citizens") Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") consisting of approximately 1,047 acres of land in Sections 4, 5 and 9, Township 20 North, Range 17 West, Mohave County, Arizona (the "Transferred Area") to Mohave. A copy of Decision No. 58798 is attached as Exhibit 1.¹
- 4. Mohave acquired the Transferred Area in order to provide electric service to lands being developed by North Star Steel Company ("North Star"). The Commission approved the service agreement between Mohave and North Star by Decision No. 58795, dated October 14, 1994.
- 5. Since October 14, 1994, Mohave has been the sole power supplier of all customers located in the Transferred Area, including, without limitation, North Star

¹ All Exhibits are the same as attached to the original complaint and are not resubmitted herewith to avoid unnecessary duplication and storage costs.

and a few commercial customers, such as Roadrunner Trucking. However, Mohave purchased power from Citizens for resale in the Transferred Area. In order to make power purchases from Citizens, Mohave provided Citizens \$25,942.22 as a contribution-in-aid-of-construction in exchange for which Citizens constructed the necessary primary distribution and metering facilities.

- 6. Citizens provided service to Mohave until approximately 2002, when North Star and the surrounding commercial customers halted business, at least temporarily, and power purchases from Citizens became, temporarily unnecessary.
- 7. On March 3, 2003, after first filing an application with FERC for approval of its sale to UniSource Energy Corporation, Citizens Communications Company made a summary filing of its retail Rate Schedules 45 and 46 with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). A copy of the Citizens filing with FERC is attached as Exhibit 2. Citizens represented to FERC that, in addition to temporary North Star construction power, it provided Mohave power "to serve a few additional commercial customers (a few construction trailers and a trucking company, Roadrunner Trucking)" representing retail loads of between 100-200 kW. Retail Rate Schedules 45 and 46, which now under UniSource may also include a surcharge to recover Enron related losses, may exceed Mohave's current retail rates.
- 8. Citizens' Certificate and electric operations in Arizona have been acquired by and transferred to UniSource. See, Commission Decision No. 66028.

- 9. In or about May of 2004, Central Trucking ("CTI") approached Mohave about receiving electric service at the facilities previously operated by Roadrunner Trucking located in the Transferred Area. In July of 2004, Mohave received an executed Engineering Services Agreement and deposit for service from CTI. Shortly thereafter, Mohave contacted UniSource Energy, Inc. a subsidiary of UniSource Energy Corporation, and requested re-establishment of primary metering at the location where it had previously received service from Citizens and to provide wholesale service under an Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT"). After waiting more than a month for UniSource to activate service, Mohave made a written request for service. A copy of the September 12, 2004 request is attached as Exhibit 3.
- October 6, 2004 has stated its intent to instead file an application with the Commission to "reclaim" the Transferred Area. A copy of the October 6, 2004 letter from T. Ferry, V.P. and General Manager of UniSource to T. Longtin of Mohave is attached as Exhibit 4.
- 11. On October 18, 2004, CTI filed a request for Commission assistance stating, in part: "In summary, Unisource [sic] wants this territory and is holding Mohave at a ransom to provide service to us. We are tired of being caught in the middle of a territory struggle. We cannot afford to run new lines at the cost of

\$600,00.00." A copy of the October 18, 2004 letter to J. Woller is attached as Exhibit 5.

- 12. UniSource is unilaterally and arbitrarily refusing to furnish Mohave electric energy. UniSource is holding a prospective Mohave customer in need of immediate service hostage, while UniSource pursues its intent to "reclaim" the Transferred Area.
- 13. Mohave has made a good faith effort to resolve the matter with UniSource. Mohave first requested service under an OATT. UniSource has refused to provide such service. Mohave then offered to negotiate a system-wide border area agreement with UniSource in good faith, whereby a process would be established to allow UniSource and Mohave to temporarily serve the other's customers on the fringes of their respective service areas, where such service makes economic sense to the prospective customer and the respective utilities. UniSource has refused to consider a system-wide border area agreement. Mohave has also indicated a willingness to extend Mohave's facilities under Mohave's extension policy, but such improvements are estimated to cost CTI approximately \$600,000.00.
- 14. As yet another alternative, Mohave would be willing to accept service from UniSource under its Rate Schedules 45 and 46, provided the Commission authorizes Mohave to collect through a surcharge from CTI the actual costs incurred by Mohave, including a reasonable margin if these UniSource rates exceed Mohave's

cost of power. Otherwise, Mohave's customers would be subsidizing the service to CTI.

- 15. UniSource's activities with respect to CTI are calculated to interfere with the certificated area of Mohave and the contractual relationship between CTI and Mohave in violation of Mohave's constitutionally protected property rights embodied by the grant of a CC&N.
- 16. The actions of UniSource, as specified above, threaten to cause immediate irreparable injury, loss and damage to Mohave and Mohave's customers, to wit: the alienation of property owners within Mohave's certificated area, the infringement upon Mohave's certificated area by another Public Service Corporation, and compelling one (1) customer, CTI, to either forego service or pay \$600,000 for the installation of a transmission line that can be avoided if UniSource will just provide service to Mohave under its Rate Schedules 45 and 46.
- 17. The power needs of CTI are immediate, and all of the injuries which have occurred and are occurring as referenced above are uncompensable after the fact; therefore, Mohave seeks an Order from the Commission compelling UniSource to: a) provide service to Mohave and permitting Mohave to recover the cost thereof, including a reasonable margin, or b) negotiate, in good faith, a mutually acceptable system-wide border area agreement with Mohave.

18. The names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the persons upon whom service of all documents may be made are:

WHEREFORE, Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc. requests the Arizona Corporation Commission:

- After notice and opportunity to be heard, order UniSource to provide service to Mohave and allow Mohave to collect from CTI any excess power costs through a surcharge, plus a reasonable margin, until an OATT can be established by UniSource or until Mohave serves its consumer directly;
- 2. Order UniSource to negotiate in good faith with Mohave to establish a system-wide border area agreement;
- 3. Establish such procedures as are reasonable and necessary to expeditiously resolve this matter; and
- 4. Grant such further relief as the Commission deems just and necessary.

1	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this day of, 200
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